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ROMGAZ GROUP published Quarterly Report on the Economic-Financial Activity of Romgaz Group on March 31, 2022 (January - March 2022)

The full version of the Quarterly Report on the Economic-Financial Activity of Romgaz Group on March 31, 2022 (January - March 2022) and the Consolidated Condensed Interim Financial Statements for the Three-Month Period Ended March 31, 2022 (Unaudited), Prepared in Accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, are available on company's website <u>www.romgaz.ro</u> – Section Investors – Interim Reports and on Bucharest Stock Exchange website, at the link bellow.

ROMGAZ GROUP¹ PERFORMANCES

In the first quarter (Q1) 2022, Romgaz Group recorded a *revenue* of RON 3,925.8 million, increased by 195.78%, namely RON 2,598.5 million, as compared to the revenue achieved in Q1 2021. Compared to Q4 2021, the revenue increased by 66.6%.

Net consolidated profit of RON 979.6 million was higher by 111.24%, namely by RON 515.9 million, compared to the same period of the previous year. Compared with Q4 2021, net profit increased by 29.13%.

Net consolidated earnings per share (EPS) was RON 2.5.

The achieved margins of the consolidated net profit (24.95%), consolidated EBIT (28.97%) and consolidated EBITDA (31.24%) decreased as compared to Q1 2021 (34.94%; 41.33% and 52.42% respectively) but remain at high levels. Decreases in the percentage rates of these indicators are generated by the windfall tax and petroleum royalty which increased from RON 201.0 million in Q1 2021 to RON 2,303.9 million in Q1 2022 (+1,046.2%). Compared to Q4 2021, these expenses were 14.77% higher.

On March 30, 2022, Romgaz signed a *credit facility agreement* in amount of EUR 325 million for the acquisition of all shares issued by ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Romania Limited which holds 50% of the rights and obligations under the Concession Agreement for the Exploration, Development and Production of XIX Neptun Deep Block.

Natural gas consumption estimated² at national level for Q1 2022 was about 44 TWh, approximately 11% lower than the consumption recorded in Q1 2021.

Natural gas production recorded in Q1 2022 was 1,307.2 million m³, 0.33% lower than in Q1 2021.

The amount of *electricity produced* was 345.34 GWh in Q1 2022, 70.87% higher than production in the similar period of last year (202.1 GWh).



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¹ **Romgaz Group** consists of SNGN Romgaz SA (the "Company"/"Romgaz") as parent company, Filiala de Înmagazinare Gaze Naturale Depogaz Ploiești SRL ("Depogaz"), subsidiary 100% owned by Romgaz and its associates SC Depomureș SA (40% of the share capital) and SC Agri LNG Project Company SRL (25% of the share capital).

² Consumption is estimated as ANRE has not published, until the date hereof, the reports on the gas market for 2022.

Natural gas production recorded in Q1 2022 was influenced by:

- ✓ Implementation of measures to optimize gas field production;
- ✓ Continuation and extension of rehabilitation projects of the main mature gas fields;
- Performance of well workover and recompletion programs in inactive or low productivity wells;
- completion of investment works to extend the production infrastructure and connection of new wells to this infrastructure.

The conditions underlying these results were:

- Gas imports for consumption were approximately 9.5 TWh, 7.33% higher than in the same period of the previous year;
- Withdrawals from Romgaz UGSs were 2.07 million MWh lower than in the similar period of 2021 (1.96 million MWh compared to 4.03 million MWh).

National gas consumption estimated for Q1 2022 was 44 TWh, approximately 11% lower than the consumption recorded in Q1 2021, out of which approximately 9.5 TWh was covered by import gas and the difference of 34.5 TWh by domestic gas. Romgaz contribution was 15.7 TWh, representing 35.72% from the national consumption and **45.53%** from the consumption covered from domestic gas.

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About ROMGAZ

Romgaz S.A. is the largest natural gas producer and the main supplier in Romania. The company is listed on Bucharest Stock Exchange and GDRs are traded on London Stock Exchange. The majority shareholder is the Romanian State owning a 70% stake. The company has a vast experience in the field of gas exploration and production, with a history that began in 1909 and spans more than 100 years. Romgaz undertakes geological exploration with the aim of discovering new gas reserves, produces methane by exploiting the reservoirs included in the company's portfolio and stores natural gas in underground storages; it performs well interventions, workover and special operations, and ensures technological transportation professional services. In 2013, Romgaz extended its scope of work by taking over lernut thermoelectric power plant, becoming electricity producer and supplier.